

Appl. No. 10783755
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The original claims, 1-13, are cancelled and replaced by new claims 14-17 in the application.

Your applicant believes that claim 1 now clearly distinguishes over the referenced art of Dvorak and Braly in that neither of these references teaches the combination of elements claimed and especially the convergent sidewall engaged with the annular groove in the cap which affords a distinct advantage in assembly and sealing of this interface.

Your applicant respectfully submits that a lighted standoff of the type described and claimed is novel with respect to the prior art and therefore requests notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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